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9/991,846

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REISSUE SUPPLEMENT  
NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

This Reissue Supplement is an attachment to:

- ☒ "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application" Filing Date Granted  
☐ "Notice of Incomplete Application" No filing Date Granted

The item(s) indicated below as missing must be filed within the period for reply set on the attached form to avoid abandonment.

Correction of the following is required to complete the reissue application:

- ☒ 1. The reissue specification has not been provided in double-column format as is required by 37 CFR 1.173(a)(1). *(time set with attached missing parts notice)*
- ☐ 2. Consent of the assignee is missing. 37 CFR 1.172 requires that the reissue oath/declaration be accompanied by the written consent of all assignees.
- ☐ 3. Consent of the assignee is present, but is unsigned. A statement of consent bearing the signature of an official authorized to act on behalf of the assignee(s) must be provided.
- ☐ 4. Assignee's statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) establishing ownership of the patent is missing. 37 CFR 1.72 requires that all assignees consenting to the reissue establish their ownership interest in the patent by filing in the reissue application a statement in accordance with 37 CFR 3.73(b). See MPEP Sec. 324.
- ☐ 5. Assignee's statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is present, but is unsigned. A 37 CFR 3.73(b) statement bearing the signature of an official authorized to act on behalf of the assignee must be provided.

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In re Application of: Todd B. Housley

Attorney Docket No. 501331.000004

Application No.: 09/991,890

Filing Date: November 23, 2001

Group Art Unit:

Title: **Utensil Supporting Multiple Cooking Environments for  
Preparing Food**

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Name

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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF  
REISSUE APPLICATION**

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Reissue Application (Filing Date  
Granted 11/23/01) mailed January 16, 2002, please find enclosed:

1. A duly executed Declaration with respect to the above-referenced patent application;
2. A check (No. 2363) in the amount of nine hundred fifty-four dollars (\$954.00) ;

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3. Transmittal Form; and
4. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Reissue Application.

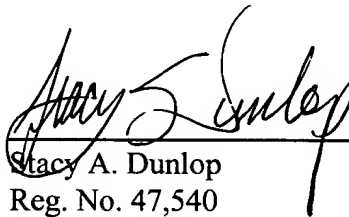
### CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is believed that this application is no longer missing any parts and is ready for examination.

If an extension of time is required to enable this document to be timely filed and there is no separate Request for Extension of Time filed herewith, this document is to be construed as also constituting a Request for Extension of Time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for a period of time sufficient to enable this document to be timely filed. Any fee required for such Request for Extension of Time and any other fee required by this document pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.16 and 1.17 (other than an issue fee) and not submitted herewith, should be charged to Deposit Account No. 20-0821. Any refund should be credited to the same account.

Respectfully submitted,

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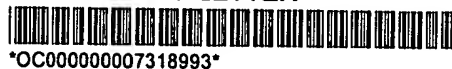
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF REISSUE APPLICATION

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this reissue application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$84.  
    ▪ \$84 for 1 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 954.**

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<b>TRANSMITTAL FORM</b> (to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)	Application Number	09/991,890	
	Filing Date	11/23/01	
	First Named Inventor	Housley	
	Group Art Unit	Not assigned	
	Examiner Name	Not assigned	
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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT	
Firm or Individual name	Stacy A. Dunlop, Reg. No. 47,540
Signature	<i>Stacy A. Dunlop</i>
Date	March 18, 2002

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